

DISCUSSION OF THE AMENDMENT

Claim 1 has been amended to correct a grammatical error and by deleting the superfluous “per A4 size”.

Claim 13 has been canceled.

No new matter is believed to have been added by the above amendment. With entry thereof, Claims 1-7 and 9-12 will be pending in the application.

REMARKS

The rejections under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) of Claims 1-5, 7 and 9-12 over Emoto '074, as evidenced by a so-called admission I combined with Emoto'116, JP'331, Suwabe, and Waki, and of Claim 13 over the above evidence, and additionally in view of Takiguchi, are respectfully traversed.

The Examiner finds that Emoto '074 is available as prior art under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e). However, Applicants and the assignee represent through undersigned counsel that the subject matter disclosed in Emoto '074, and the presently-claimed invention were, at the time the presently-claimed invention was made, commonly owned. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the above rejections be withdrawn.

The rejection of Claim 13 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, is respectfully traversed. Indeed, the rejection would now appear to be moot in view of the above-discussed amendment. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that this rejection be withdrawn.

All of the presently-pending claims in this application are now believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issue.

Respectfully submitted,

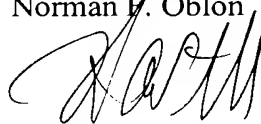
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